

College Preparatory Middle School

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Dear FCC Appeals Panel,

Please allow for the following e-mail to serve as a Letter of Appeal in response to the recent decision by the USAC which stated that the application by College Preparatory Middle School for the Funding Year 2011, Form 471 was "postmarked outside the window." The following is information requested by USAC in order to file the appeal:

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2. I am writing to appeal the "Funding Year 2011, Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter."

Applicant Forms Identifier: CPMS Form 471 Application #: 822645

Service Provider: Cox Communications (signed contract for telecom and internet services)

BEN: 16065749

Application #822645 as assigned by USAC

College Preparatory Middle School is a brand new independent public charter school located in San Diego County, CA. As a brand new public school, first opening our doors last school year (2010-11), we were not listed in the USAC system in order to apply for the 2011 E-Rate Funding. Due to delays related to obtaining a BEN required to apply for the E-Rate program, the process of completing the 470 and 471 were, in turn, delayed and not completed until after the window was closed. I was informed throughout the process by USAC personnel and HATS support staff (who were extremely helpful) that I shouldn't be concerned about the timelines since we are a brand new entity and would have the opportunity to request an appeal once all the necessary paperwork was completed and the decision was made. I was also informed that the e-rate discounts would be able to be applied retro-actively for the 2011 Funding Cycle.

We currently have a contract with Cox Communications for our telecom and internet services as a result of our bidding process. Our contract continues into the next school year, so we will be submitting the needed paperwork in order to receive e-rate for the next funding cycle (2012).

We would be happy to submit any additional documentation required to substantiate our claims. If there are any other questions to facilitate this process of appeal, please feel free to contact me via phone or e-mail.

I would appreciate it if you could please respond to this e-mail in order to confirm its receipt. Being new to USAC E-rate, please feel free to contact me in regard to next steps in the appeal process.

Best Regards, Mitch Miller

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